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Dear Don:-

Very sorry that it has been so long since your letter and the little color print came; there are reasons for my long delay, however. I have been considerably laid up for some time with two troubles, one it seems I have the gout, and two I have a bone or something out of place in my left foot. Both have had me very much under the weather. The gout has shown up as a direct reaction to penicillin (for a bad throat) and all the old causes seem now to be by the board, and allergies seem a principal cause. There is medication but I never know when another attack may come. I have just found out to my great interest, in Father Berard's Ethnologic Dictionary that the Navaho have an herb medicine for gout. I am going to try it.

I have heard from my probable publisher that they want my completed mms in by September instead of June. This gives me a leeway I now need. I have much of the text done, and as soon as it is more complete I shall be over to go over it with Sam Akeha and one or two others. Several very interesting new developments have come along, one of which has made me uncertain about which sand painting to use. This is one reason you have not heard from me before. It looks as though your man has done an extremely good job. I don't want to hold you up on this and I should like to photograph it anyway. Is there any chance that you might be over any time soon? I heard that you had been in Albuquerque and sorry I didn't know it. Anyway we will be over within the month I am sure.

Can you tell me which Kennedy is still at the Red Rock Post? I have gotten the School of American Research interested to take a look at that ruin on the mountain above the Cove not far from the mine up there. I don't seem to be able to get any information as to whether the mine is still in operation or not and if not if it is possible to get up there. I wrote to Ned Hathali but he doesn't seem to know or wouldn't say until the School applies for a permit. They only want to take a look at it now. May I bother you to tell me which Kennedy is at Red Rock for I am sure he would know. I could write or phone him if he has a phone out there. I did write to Charles Dickens but have had no answer.

You will be hearing from me again soon, and many thanks for everything.